

# Roadsides

The most all-encompassing landscape in our small, densely populated state is the scenery along its 36,000 roadside miles. Carrying people and freight, our roads traverse communities and natural habitats. It is an enormous responsibility for the NJDOT to enhance, protect and maintain this roadside landscape while providing mobility for our citizens and businesses. Here are some examples of our efforts.

Motorists find flowering trees and miles of forsythia like these on I-295 in Hamilton Township to be a calming view.







*Previous page:* Traveling to the Vineland Fair children saw the graceful weeping love grass along Route 55. This sturdy drought-resistant landscape material is easy to grow and maintain on our coastal plain. *Right:* The neighborhood view of the Route 21 noise wall in Clifton is softened by evergreens.











*Left: Flowering trees and shrubs highlight the natural beauty of New Jersey's first Scenic Byway, Route 29 from Trenton to Frenchtown (bottom and page 27) and Route 1, Trenton (top). Above and next page: Local residents guided the design and appearance of noise walls along I-295 in Camden County. Each municipality selected an individual expression of design and landscaping.*









Daylilies, daffodils and other early blooming plants along New Jersey roadsides announce the arrival of spring.







Above: Volunteers play an active role in landscaping and removing litter and (next page) in planning transportation improvements such as the Route 29 Scenic Byway and the Route 29 deck park in Trenton (page 62).











The landscaping along Admiral Wilson Boulevard in Camden provides an attractive entrance to surrounding neighborhoods.





New Jersey's precious watersheds are clearly identified for motorists through a joint sign project of the state Departments of Transportation and Environmental Protection.